Advances for agriculture and animal husbandry activities in Jharkhand

143. SHRI PARIMAL NATHWANI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the details of total advances for agriculture and animal husbandry activities to the farmers of Jharkhand and plan to enhance the agriculture limit?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (PROF. K.V. THOMAS): 1. During the Years 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, agricultural credit flow to Jharkhand was Rs.505.88 crore, Rs.619.49 crore, Rs.565.18 crore. During 2008-09, the credit flow was Rs.159.17 crore (excluding the commercial banks).

2. Funds amounting to Rs.7.51 lakh have been provided to the state of Jharkhand for demonstration of newly developed agricultural equipment under the Division's Central Sector Scheme "Promotion and Strengthening of Agricultural Mechanization" through Training, Testing and Demonstration during 2009-10. In addition to this, Rs. 6.00 lakh have also been provided to the State Government for farm mechanization component under Macro Management Scheme during 2009-10.

3. Details of grants-in-aid released to Jharkhand in seed sector from the years 2005-06 to 2008-09 are given in the Statement (*See* below).

4. A Central Sector Scheme namely Venture Capital Fund for Dairy and Poultry Sector was started during 2004-05. Since inception of the Scheme, a total of 29 Dairy Units and 2 Poultry Units have been sanctioned in the State of Jharkhand with a total interest free loan amounting to Rs.56.345 lakh till May 31, 2009.

5. The Central Government is implementing a comprehensive centrally sponsored Scheme "National Project for Cattle and Buffalo Breeding" since October 2000 over a period of ten years, in two phases each of five years duration, with an allocation of Rs.402 crore and Rs.775.87 crore for the 1st and 2nd Phase respectively throughout the country, on 100% grant-in-aid basis. Jharkhand is participating under the project since 2006-07 and central assistance to the tune of Rs.617.40 lakh has been released to the State for implementation of the project upto 2008-09.

Statement

Details of grants-in-aid released to Jharkhand in Seed Sector from the year 2005-06 to 2008-09

(Rs. in Lakh)

Name of Component	Name of Implementing Agency/State	2005-2006		2006-2007		2007-2008		2008-2009		Total		Unspent balance
		Funds released	Amount utilized	Funds released	Amount utilised	Funds released	Amount utilized	Funds released	Amount utilized	Funds released	Amount utilized	
Creation of Infrastructure	Birsa Agricultural University	85.32	85.32	—	—	—	—	—	—	85.32	85.32	—
TOTAL:		85.32	85.32	—	—	—	—	—	—	85.32	85.32	—
Quality	State	—	—	41.00	—	—	—	—	—	41.00	—	41.00
	Birsa Agricultural University	—	—	—	—	76.00	—	—	—	76.00	—	76.00
TOTAL:		—	—	41.00	—	76.00	—	—	—	117.00	—	117.00
Use of Biotechno-logy	Birsa Agricultural University	—	—	152.00	145.45	—	—	—	—	152.00	145.45	6.55
TOTAL:		—	—	152.00	145.45	—	—	—	—	152.00	145.45	6.55
GRAND TOTAL:		85.32	85.32	193.00	145.45	76.00	—	—	—	354.32	230.77	123.55